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1. Transplantation of inhabitants of the Dobruja has been carried out abruptly in some regions, while in others it has proceeded by stages. At Carmen-Sylva, Mangalia, and other villages within forty kilometers of the frontier, the civilian population were compelled to leave their homes with what they could carry in their hands and nothing more. The rest was left to the militia. Seven thousand persons suffered this fate.
2. Since their enforced departure, these persons have been reported in Moldavia, on the upper Bistrița, at Bicaz, and near the workshops of the "V.I. Lenin" (Vladimir Ilyich Lenin) hydro-central. Others have been seen at Roșiorii-de-Vede, at Slătina [Sic], and in villages west of Bucharest. Others were forced to go to the Danube-Black Sea Canal, apparently not long before work was closed down. These people went in groups of fifty or a hundred. The expelled persons are also reported in the Banat, at Iași and in different part of Transylvania.
3. In the houses formerly occupied by these unfortunates, Soviet officers and civilian officials are being installed. These include Soviet experts or ordinary officials, with their families. Some of them are from Sovromtransport and some from Sovromnaval, others from the group of technicians sent in to help build the Danube-Black Sea Canal, belonging to no special organization, so far as can be learned. Some of the officers are merely in transit. Others seem to belong to garrisons or permanently stationed troops.
4. [redacted] can find no evidence for the idea that the Dobruja is being repopulated with Ukrainians, on a large scale.

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